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were inspected, 88 passed, and 11 detained and baggage (14 pieces) disinfected. In addition to these, 7 passengers were remanded to the border for detention and disinfection. For the same period 220 barrels and 1 car of oranges from Yantepec were passed. At Monterey, for the week ended October 14, 52 passengers were inspected, 49 were passed, and 3 detained and baggage (5 pieces) disinfected. At San Luis Potosi, for the week ended October 14, 14 passengers were inspected and passed. Acting Assistant Surgeon Slavey reports the health of the city of Monterey to be good.

Respectfully,

L. E. COFER,

*Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.*

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

*U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.*

*Deaths from yellow fever at Orizaba.*

CITY OF MEXICO, MEXICO, *October 20, 1899.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that up to and including October 10, there have been 16 deaths from yellow fever in Orizaba. No cases, it is reported, have occurred there since that date.

Respectfully, yours,

L. E. COFER,

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*Report from Vera Cruz.*

VERA CRUZ, MEXICO, *October 20, 1899.*

SIR: I have the honor to make the following report for the week ended October 19: Cases of yellow fever, 6; deaths from yellow fever, 2; deaths from all causes, 33.

This is the smallest death rate from yellow fever since the last week in April, and it looks as if the epidemic were about over. Deaths have been reported every week since August 18, 1898, with the exception of one week in January, 1899, one week in February, one week in March, and one week in April.

The mortality from yellow fever since August 18, 1898, has been 612, and the mortality from all causes, 3,202.

The record of the number of cases during that time is not obtainable, but figuring the mortality percentage at 20 would give 3,060 cases of yellow fever. The estimated population of Vera Cruz is 30,000, and the past epidemic has made immunes of 10 per cent of the inhabitants. During the past twenty years there have been several epidemics nearly as bad, and it is reasonable to suppose that the number of immunes made was about the same, so there is now an immune population, or practically so. I can see no danger of another epidemic unless there is an importation of fresh material.

The harbor and shipping continue free from infection.

Respectfully,

SAML. H. HODGSON,

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